IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend paragraph 1, under the heading "Cross-Reference to Related Applications", as follows:

This application cross-references two co-pending non-provisional U.S. patent applications filed on even date herewith on September 12, 2003; namely, U.S. Patent aApplication serial number 10/xxx,xxx (Atty. Dkt. P-11618.00)

10/661,920 entitled, "Lithium-Limited Anode Subassembly with Solid Anode Current Collector and Spacer" and U.S. Patent aApplication serial number 10/661,666 10/xxx,xxx (Atty. Dkt. P-11617.00) entitled, "Spacer Separator Subassembly" the contents of both are hereby incorporated by reference.

Please amend paragraph 53 as follows:

The anode subassembly 1 shown in Figure 1A is intended for use in an anode-limited cell wherein the shorter thinner piece of alkali metal 15 forms the outer winding of a coiled electrode assembly formed when anode subassembly 1 is wound around an appropriately-sized mandrel with a cathode subassembly. An anode subassembly including a short, thin piece of alkali metal for forming the outer electrode winding and a long, thicker piece of alkali metal for forming the inner electrode windings is generally disclosed in the above-referenced U.S. Pat. Appl. No. 10/123,495-(P10327). Such an arrangement has the advantage of achieving a narrow anode material tolerance in an anode-limited cell.

Please amend paragraph 64 as follows:

Separator 110 may alternatively take the form of a separator subassembly that further includes a spacer joined to separator 110 to provide an additional layer of protection between the anode current collector and cathode in a wound electrode assembly, as generally disclosed in commonly assigned, co-pending U.S. patent application serial number 10/661,666 10/xxx,xxx (Atty. Dkt. P-11617.00), incorporated herein by reference in its entirety. With regard to the anode subassembly embodiments described herein, a spacer included in a

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separator subassembly may provide additional reinforcement of the alkali metal anode 3 in areas unsupported by the anode current collector 5.